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SUBJECT: GENERAL STRIKE AT NATIONAL UNIVERSITY (UNAM)

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1. UNION OF ACADEMIC PERSONNEL OF NATIONAL UNIVERSITY (SPAUNAM) BEGAN GENERAL STRIKE THERE MORNING OF JUNE 16, SPAUNAM SUPPORTERS BLOCKING FOUR ACCESS ROUTES INTO UNAM CAMPUS. ACCORDING TO UNAM OFFICIALS, 80 PERCENT OF THE 53 SCHOOLS OF UNAM CONTINUED NORMAL ACTIVITY. SPAUNAM SPOKESMAN CLAIMED 80 PERCENT OF SCHOOLS WERE AFFECTED BY STRIKE. DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN TWO SIDES ARE CONTINUING.

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2. NO VIOLENCE HAS OCCURRED THUS FAR. BUT ON JUNE 15

FEDERAL POLICE SHOT AND KILLED AT EDGE OF UNAM CAMPUS TWO PERSONS POLICE IDENTIFIED AS MEMBERS OF THE 23 OF SEPTEMBER COMMUNIST LEAGUE WHO PARTICIPATED IN MARCH 12 ROBBERY WHICH KILLED TWELVE. A DISCREPANCY BETWEEN PUBLIC CORONER AND POLICE HAS EMERGED ON QUESTION OF WHETHER VICTIMS WERE ARMED AND FIRING. ACCORDING TO CORONER, EACH PERSON RECEIVED TWO HEAD WOUNDS FROM WEAPONS FIRED AT VERY CLOSE RANGE. OFFICE OF FEDERAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL ISSUED DENIAL OF SUGGESTION THAT KILLINGS WERE POLICE EXECUTIONS. BOTH UNAM AND SPAUNAM HAVE STATED INCIDENT HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH UNAM LABOR DISPUTE, BUT PHYSICAL AND TEMPORAL JUXTAPOSITION TO UNAM SITUATION HAS MUDDIED THE WATERS SOMEWHAT. JOVA

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